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BOTH PARTIES FOR WAR.

LIBERALS AND CONSERVATIVES FAVOR FIGHTING IN TRANSVAAL.

OPPOSITION OF IRISH MEMBERS—WILLIAM WATSON'S PROTEST—A RE-VIEW OF THE SITUATION IN SOUTH AFRICA.

1ST CABLE TO THE TRIBUNE.]
London, Oct. 17.—Parliament will meet to-day with every indication that the two main parties will unite in voting supplies for war without controversy or partisan bickerings. The small group of Irish members may offer some opposition, but public opinion is strongly in favor of the vigorous prosecution of the war and the loyal support of the Government. This feeling was shown by two enthusiastic meetings at the Guildhall yesterday, when the business men rallied to the support of Mr. Chamberlain's general policy.

Only a few voices are raised in protest. One of these is William Watson's, whose acrid letter to "The Daily Chronicle" to-day will excite much resentment. He writes:

Like several of your contemporaries, you appear to have been disappointed with the quality of a recent sonnet by Mr. Swinburne. In simple justice to that magnificently stately and impassioned poet, I must say that his great poem is one of the most important conditions of great poetry. The assassination of a State and the saving of a people are not heroic themes, and never while this world endures shall they evoke one note of noble song. Moreover, in all contests between a giant and a stripling the issue must necessarily be at a certain moral disadvantage to the somewhat ludicrous task of overthrowing the giant.

It is the valor of David with his sling, and not the arrogant bulk of Goliath, that kindles the imagination of poets and captures forever the sympathies of man.

The time has passed for such passionate denunciation of English policy when war has been opened upon England by President Kruger's ultimatum.

The journalists here are beside themselves for want of news from South Africa. The official statement from the War Department shows that nothing definite has been reported from Natal or the Transvaal frontier, and as communication is cut off from Mafeking and Kimberley there can be no news from Bechuanaland and the Orange Free State borders.

The latest news before the cutting of the wires states that Kimberley, which the Boers are declared to be especially anxious to take, in order to make Cecil Rhodes a prisoner, is now strongly fortified and no fears are entertained of the garrison's capabilities for resistance. At Mafeking, also, the garrison is reported to be encircled, although there is no word whether Colonel Baden-Powell has yet been reinforced or not.

Persistent rumors reach Cape Town of sharp fighting near Kimberley. These are traceable to native informants and may not be accepted unreservedly, but those familiar with South Africa know with what amazing swiftness and often accuracy strings of natives, like a human telegraph system, flash tidings.

A dispatch from Aluwai North states that the Boer commando at Reest Kraal has shifted to a point near Aluwai. This centre is composed of partially disengaged Dutch, whose attitude depends on the result of the first serious engagement.

Humors persistently hint of the probable dismissal of the Cape Government by Sir Alfred Milner, but it is believed on the other hand that many of the doubtful Dutch have been alienated from the Boers by the Transvaal envoys' attempts to stir up the native tribes to war.

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PARLIAMENT MEETS TO-DAY.

FORECAST OF THE QUEEN'S SPEECH TO THE LEGISLATORS.

REASONS FOR THE SUMMONS—PROGRAMME TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE HOUSES—CABINET COUNCIL ADJOURNED.

London, Oct. 16.—The Queen's Speech at the opening of Parliament to-morrow will declare that Parliament has been summoned at an unusual date for a specific purpose, and that this course has been rendered necessary by two circumstances.

First—Her Majesty's proclamation calling out the reserves is necessarily followed by the summoning of Parliament within ten days.

Second—The position of affairs in South Africa demands the attention of the Legislature.

Her Majesty will then declare that her general relations with Foreign Powers are peaceful, a state of affairs which unfortunately, does not apply to the Transvaal.

The House of Commons will be invited to provide ways and means necessary to prosecute British policy in South Africa.

The Speech will conclude with a promise that when the present time arrives, the legislative programme of the Government regarding matters of internal interest will be submitted to the House of Commons.

In the absence of the Ministerial and Opposition dinners, which are usually given on the eve of the opening of Parliamentary sessions, at which the contents of the Queen's speech are generally made known, the speech was privately communicated to the leaders of the Opposition in the House of Commons, takes.

Sir William Vernon Harcourt and Mr. John Morley will undoubtedly make statements of their views to-morrow, but their actions will be guided largely by the line which Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons, takes.

It is considered probable that Mr. Morley will vote for a hostile amendment if Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman moves what he considers reasonable and appropriate one.

The Irish leaders, however, are certain to move an amendment condemning the Government's policy, though their following in a division and the lobby is likely to be small.

The advanced Radicals will meet to-morrow to deliberate upon the line they shall follow, and, although it is fairly certain that any subject except the Transvaal will be ruled out of order.

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"Clad in garments of russet, crimson and gold,
the mountains along Hudson River Day Line
glow."

CROKER FAVERS SHORT CAMPAIGN.

Richard Croker favors a late National Convention for the Democrats next year. He believes Bryan will be nominated, but thinks the convention will be held as late as possible. "It is a good thing to let the other fellow show their hand," said Mr. Croker, "and then start in and make a hard, sharp campaign."

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COLUMBIA THE VICTOR.

SHE WINS THE FIRST RACE BY 10 MINUTES AND 8 SECONDS.

BEATS THE SHAMROCK ON BOTH LEGS OF THE COURSE—THE HOME BOAT BEAUTIFULLY HANDLED—GOOD PROSPECTS FOR A RACE TO-DAY.

PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY'S RACE.

Course—Thirty knots' triangle; ten knots to a leg.

Starting Point—Sandy Hook Lightship.

Time of Start—10:15 a. m., unless postponement is ordered, but not later than 12:15 p. m.

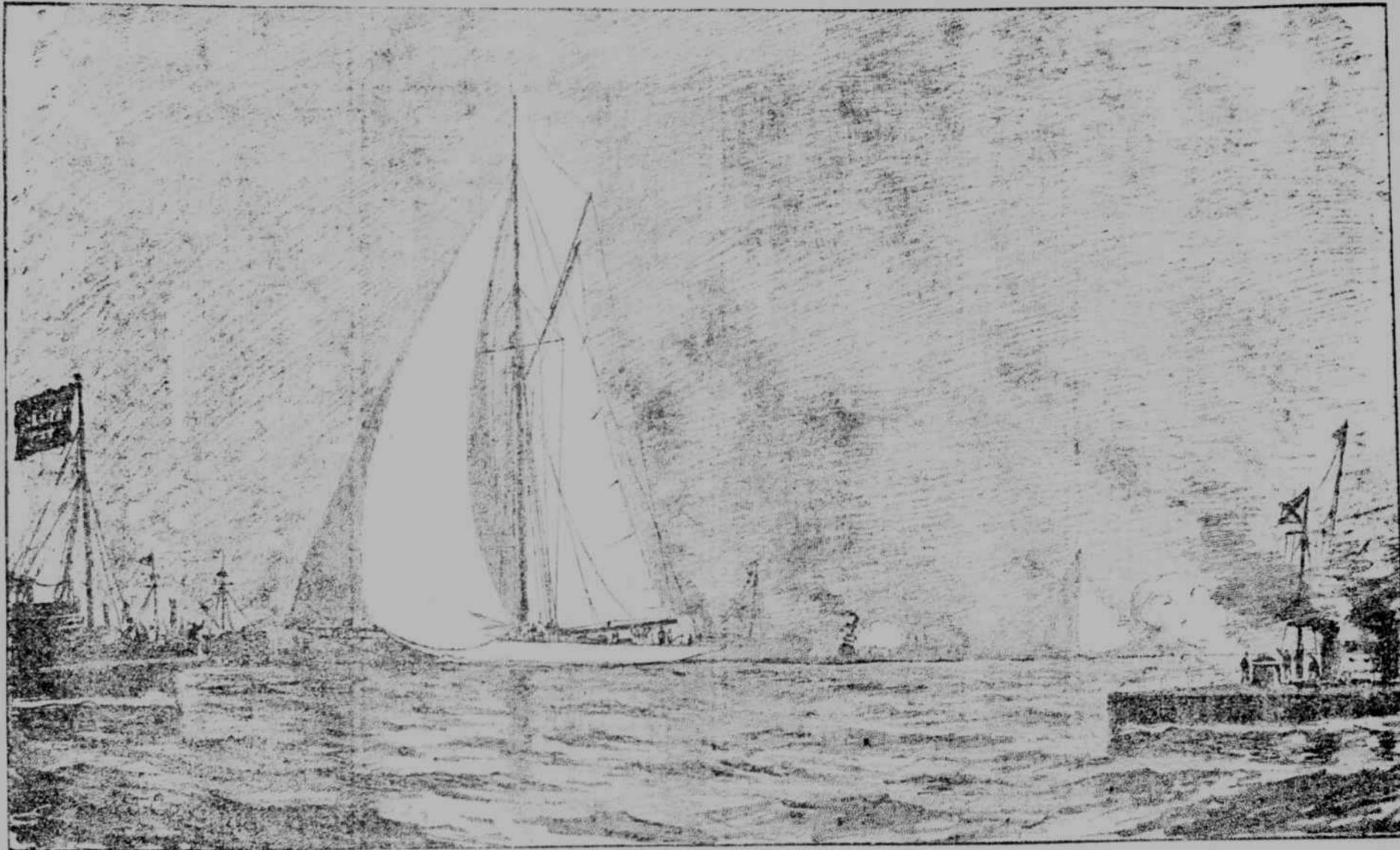
Time Allowance—6:31-100 seconds to the Shamrock.

Time Limit—Five and one-half hours, exclusive of time allowance.

Preparatory Starting Signal—A gun will be fired, the "blue petar" set and a red ball hoisted.

Starting Signal—Fifteen minutes later a gun will be fired and the ball will drop.

Weather Forecast—Partly cloudy, fresh east and southeast winds.



THE COLUMBIA CROSSING THE LINE.

GOV. ROOSEVELT TO SPEAK.

A BIG MASS MEETING TO BE HELD AT DURLANDS TO INDORSE THE FUSION TICKET.

The mass meeting which is to be held in Durland's Riding Academy, Eightieth and Fifty-ninth, on Thursday evening to ratify the fusion ticket, is expected to be a large and important political gathering. Governor Roosevelt is to make the speech of the evening, and the anxiety of the people to hear him is shown by the demands for tickets.

The Republican County Committee has already exhausted its supply of tickets, so it is arranging for an overflow meeting at the Metropolitan Academy, just over the street from Durland's. Senator Chapman M. Depew will preside at the Durland Academy meeting, and will make a speech. Senator Depew is extremely popular on the West Side. The other speakers will be the Rev. Thomas R. Sikes, John Proctor Clark and Assemblyman Robert Mazet.

The Riding Academy will seat about ten thousand people, and the Metropolitan Academy, according to the manager, will hold twice as many. The hall is to be handsomely decorated, three brass bands have been engaged, and a display of fireworks will be given in front of the Riding Academy.

For the mass meeting Vice-president and 300 secretaries have been named from among the members of the City Club, the Citizens Union, the Industrial Club, the Chamber of Commerce, etc. Every member is advised to get a seat early in order to get a good seat. The amateur qualities of the Riding Academy are perfect, so that every one who gets inside will be able to hear the speakers satisfactorily.

JUSTICE BARRETT AND EX-JUDGE DALLY PRAISE FRIENDS OF W. W. FOSTER BEATEN.

The friends of Warren W. Foster, Tammany candidate for Judge of Special Sessions, last night at the adjourned meeting of the Bar Association made a sharp but futile effort to get the association to repudiate the action of the Committee on Judicial Nominations, which endorsed Judge Blanchard, but held the qualifications of Mr. Foster in such high esteem that he was not fully mentioned by it. General Henry E. Tremaine, Willis B. Dowd and others tried toძerpose the resolutions, but were voted down about four in one. The report of the committee endorses the nominations of Justice George C. Barrett and ex-Judge Joseph F. Daly on the fusion ticket as eminent fitting, and then it goes through the motions of candidates, prizing some and omitting many from the list of fit.

After an hour's rest the Presidential party was driven to the Durand Club, where a public reception lasting one hour was held.

The grounds of the Durand Club were beautified and thronged with many thousand persons. In the limited time of the reception it is estimated the President shook hands with three thousand persons. Following the public reception the party returned to the Hotel Plaza to participate in a banquet.

The President gave the cause of honor to-night at a banquet at the Hotel Plaza given by the Milwaukee Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association. The President and members of the Cabinet sat at a long table, together with Governor Scott, ex-senators Peck and Upson and several Congressmen.

The decorations of the dining room were effective, the balconies and walls being draped with American flags and the tables adorned with American banners, Alabama sunflowers and ferns. Owing to the lateness of the hour at which the banquet started it was nearly midnight before the speech-making began. President McKinley was the first speaker to respond, the sentiment being "The President of the United States."

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